

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: Baumgartner et al.

Serial No: 07/788,801

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Filed: Nov. 7, 1991

Examiner: Matecki

For: Fishing Reels with a Spool Receiving the Fishing Line

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated July 27, 1993. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time together with the appropriate fees accompanies this response so that it is timely filed. Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 2, 3, 6, and 9 as presented in Appendix A, attached hereto.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

1. Why Necessary and Not Earlier Presented/New Issues

Claims 2 and 9 have been amended to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112. The basis for the rejections was that the language of the claims was either confusing or inaccurate. The amendments correct these problems. They do not, however, change the scope of the claims, and therefore do not raise new issues. Instead, they are necessary to overcome the § 112 rejections, and were not earlier presented because the inaccuracies and ambiguities were not noticed until pointed out by the Examiner. It is noted that no new matter is added by the

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